

**DECLARATION (37 CFR 1.63) FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN APPLICATION USING AN  
APPLICATION DATA SHEET (37 CFR 1.76)**

Title of Invention      Optical Network Monitoring System

As the below named inventor(s), I/we declare that:

This declaration is directed to:

- ☒ The attached application, or  
☐ Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_,  
☐ as amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable);

I/we believe that I/we am/are the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought;

I/ we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above;

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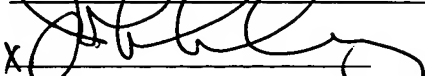
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Inventor two: John CARBERRY

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Inventor three: Michael L. SMITH

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Date	10/3/03	Telephone	865-262-3124

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**STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)**

Applicant/Patent Owner: N ptec Optical Solutions, Inc.

Application No./Patent No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Filed/issue Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Entitled: Optical Network Monitoring System

Neptec Optical Solutions, Inc., a corporation of Tennessee

(Name of Assignee)

(Type of Assignee, e.g. corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

states that it is:

1. ☒ the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest; or
2. ☐ an assignee of less than the entire right, title and interest.  
The extent (by, percentage) of its ownership interest is \_\_\_\_\_ %  
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- A. ☒ An assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application/patent identified above. The assignment was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel \_\_\_\_\_, Frame \_\_\_\_\_, or for which a copy thereof is attached.

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- B. ☐ A chain of title from the inventor(s), of the patent application/patent identified above, to the current assignee as shown below:

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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

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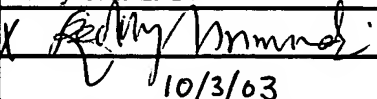
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